

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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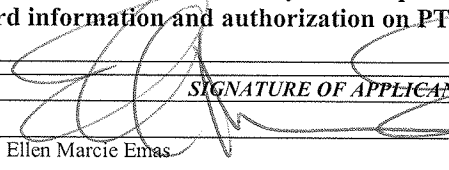
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Filing Date	May 10, 1999
First Named Inventor	Kazuhiro Hara, et al
Group Art Unit	2439
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
 - a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
 - ii. ☒ Other Amendment filed October 3, 2008
 - b. ☐ Enclosed
 - i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iv. ☐ Other:
2. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of __ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
 - b. ☐ Other
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
 - a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 50-0320.**
 - b. ☐ Check in the amount of **\$810.00** is enclosed for the following:
 - i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
 - ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) This is a Petition for a __-month extension of time. A check for \$__ is enclosed.
 - iii. ☐ Other
 - c. ☒ Payment by credit card (\$810 RCE)

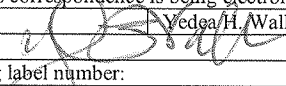
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